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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Filing Date: April 19, 2001 Examiner: R. Stormer
Inventor: Van Houten et al.
Title: Composite Wheel Assembly and Method for Producing Same

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To highlight the distinction of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of July 3, 2002, Paper No. 3, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at line 18 of page 7 and ending at line 25 of page 7 with the following:

Spisak discloses a wheel trim assembly for a wheel rim and disc having a plastic ornamental wheel cover attached to the rim and disc. A stainless steel trim ring having tabs extending therefrom mounts to the plastic ornamental wheel cover, wherein the

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